Announcements

- EXAM 2 on Tuesday, March 14!
- Homework for tomorrow…

  Ch. 31: CQ 11, Probs. 24, 59, & 60

CQ6: P_c, P_d, P_a, P_b
31.10: 2.4 x 10^{-5} m
31.16: 1.2 Ω
31.42: 3/8 W

- Office hours…

  MW 10-11 am
  TR 9-10 am
  F 12-1 pm

- Tutorial Learning Center (TLC) hours:

  MTWR 8-6 pm
  F 8-11 am, 2-5 pm
  Su 1-5 pm

Chapter 31

Fundamentals of Circuits

(*Parallel Resistors & Resistor Circuits*)

Review…

Equivalent resistor for resistors in *parallel*…

$$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \ldots$$

Quiz Question 1

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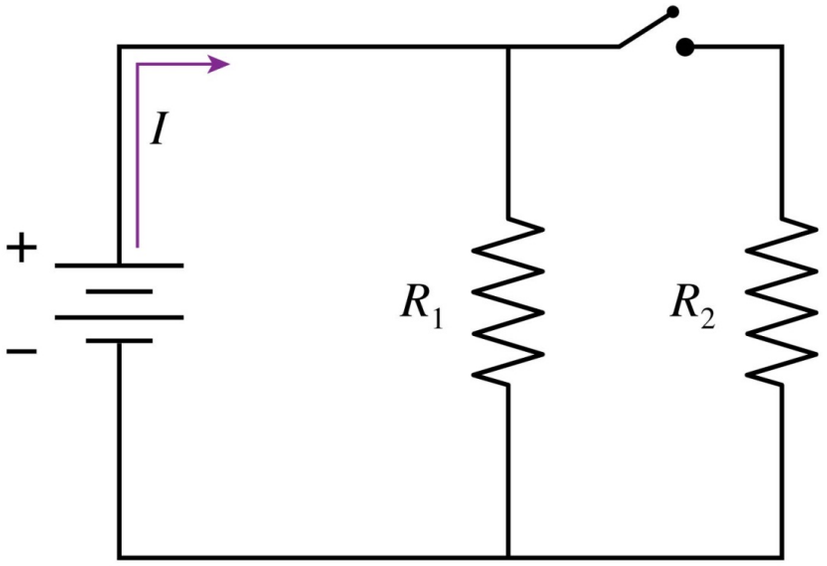
1. increases.
2. stays the same.
3. decreases.



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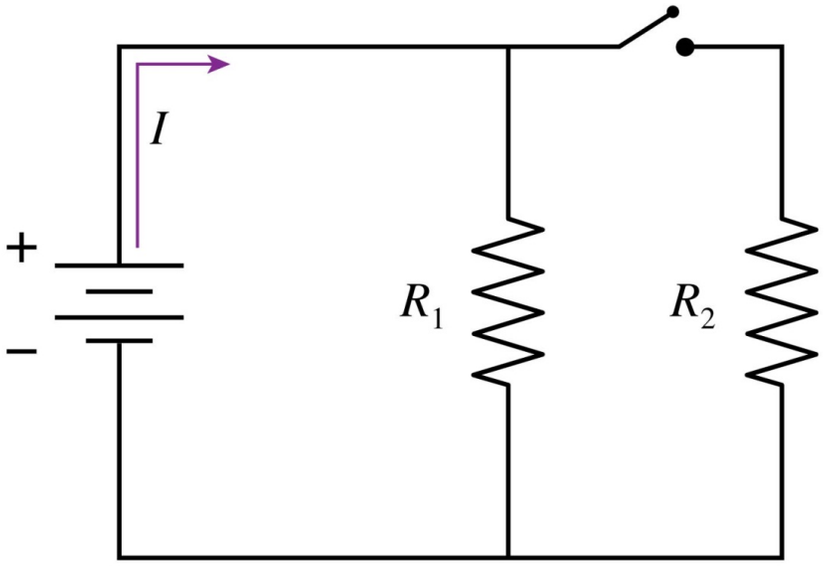


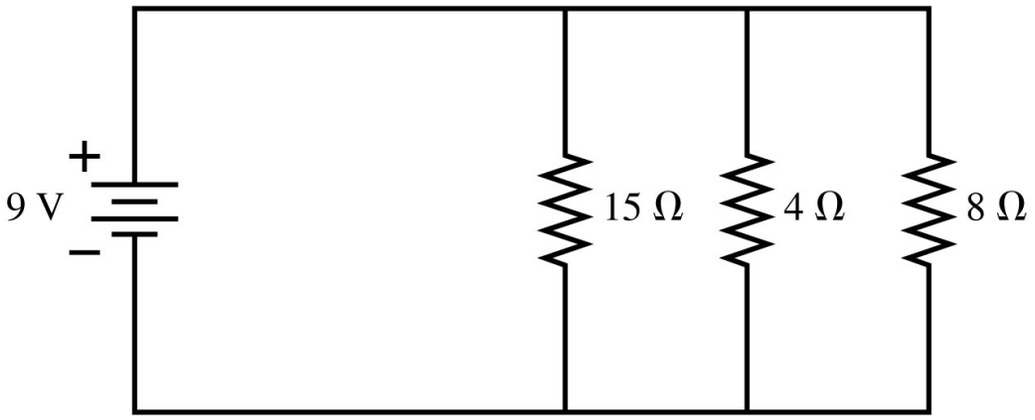
Notice:

The equivalent of several resistors in parallel is *always less than* any single resistor in the group.

i.e. 31.8:
A parallel resistor circuit

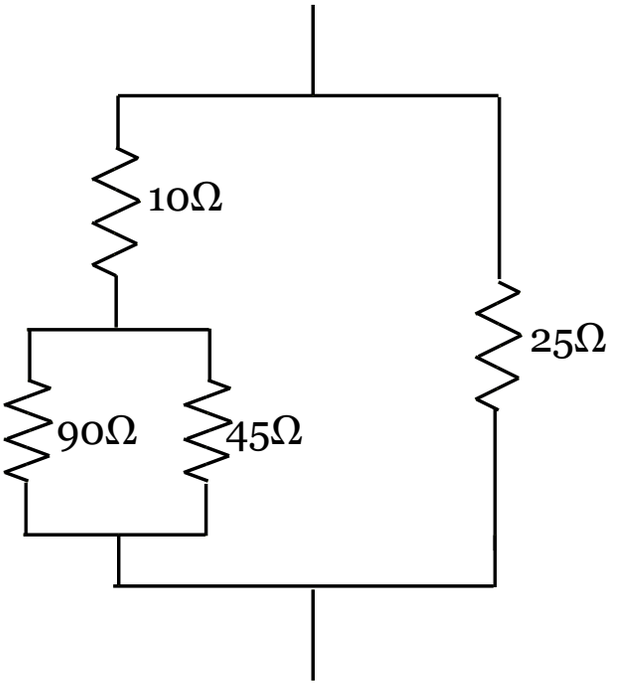
The three resistors of the figure below are connected to a 9V battery.

Find the battery *current* and the *potential difference* across and the *current* through each resistor.



i.e. 31.9:
A combination of resistors

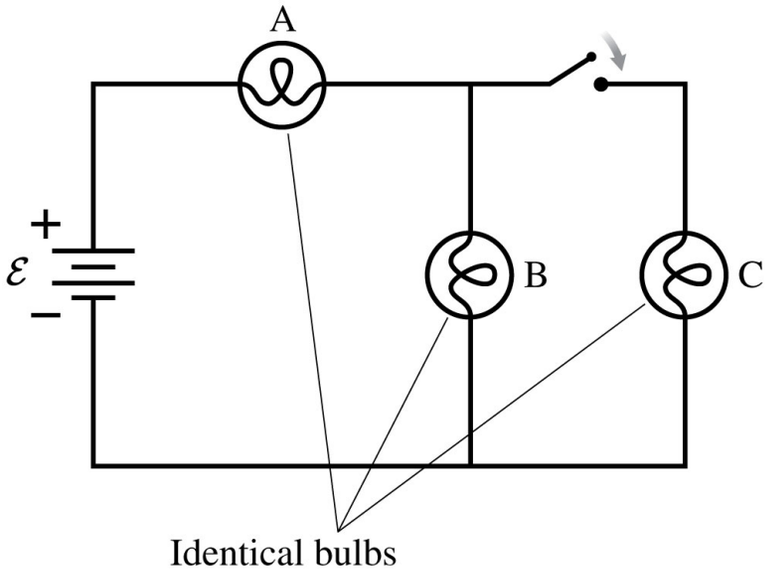
What is the equivalent resistance of the group of resistors shown in the figure below?



Quiz Question 2

Consider the circuit below, where the switch is open. The current is the same through bulbs A and B, and they are equally bright. Bulb C is not glowing.

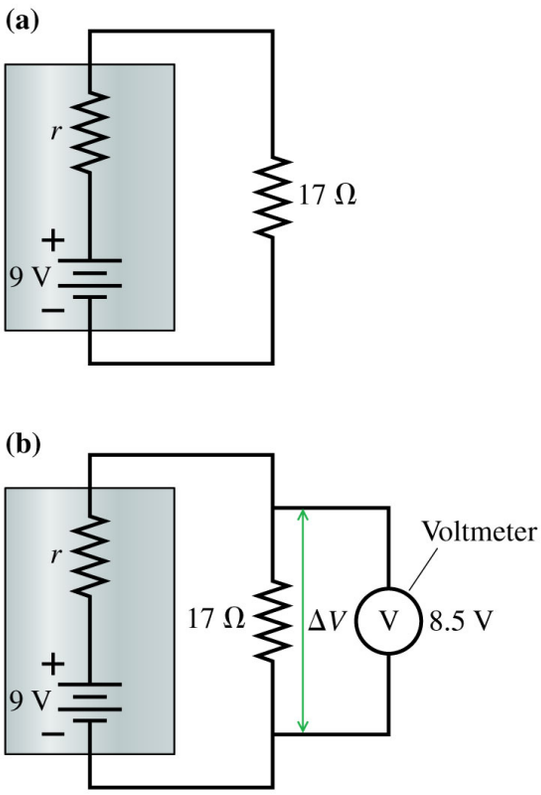
The switch is now closed, what happens to the brightness of B?



1. It increases.
2. It decreases.
3. It stays the same.

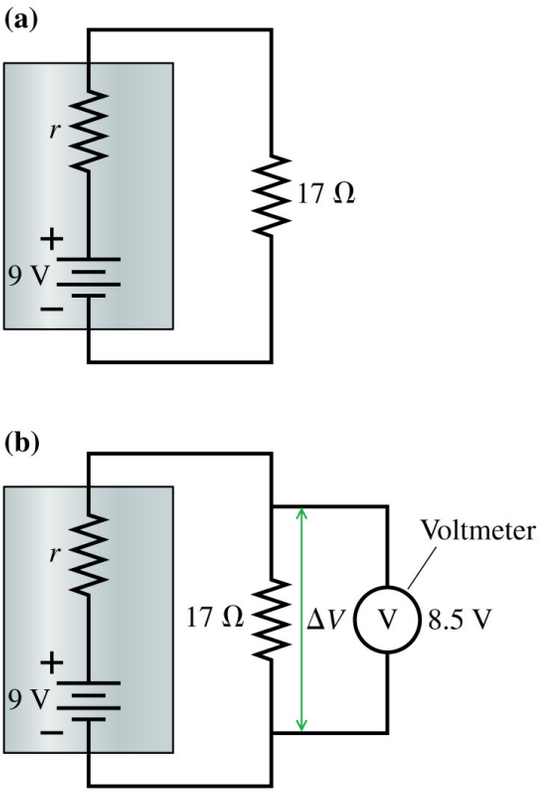
Voltmeters…

- are used to measure *potential differences*.
- Must be wired in *parallel* with the circuit element whose voltage is to be measured.
- $R_{voltmeter} \sim \infty\ \Omega$



i.e.

What is the *internal resistance* of the battery in the figure below?



Resistor Circuits

1. Draw a circuit diagram, labeling all known quantities.
2. Reduce circuit to the smallest possible number of equivalent resistors.
3. Write Kirchoff's loop rule for each loop and Kirchoff's junction rule for each junction.
4. Solve the equations and check your results.

i.e. 31.10:
Analyzing a complex circuit

Find the *current through* and the *potential difference across* each of the four resistors in the circuit shown below.